

## AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION

Please ~~replace~~ the seventh full paragraph on page 4 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

a<sup>1</sup> 5. Secrets used by different manufacturers may be completely independent. ~~[[On]]~~ One consequence of this fact, if secrets actually are independent, is that a security breach may be traceable to a particular manufacturer or factory, and possibly to a specific date, time, location, and/or person responsible.

Please ~~replace~~ the second full paragraph on page 13 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

a<sup>3</sup> The system of Fig. 1 comprises grouping apparatus 10. The grouping apparatus 10 is preferably operative to receive information describing a plurality of devices and to divide the plurality of authorized devices into a plurality of groups. Preferably, the division into a plurality of groups is such that each of the plurality of authorized devices ~~[[in]]~~ is comprised in at least one of the plurality of groups. Further preferably, no two devices of the plurality of authorized devices are comprised in exactly the same groups; that is, the groups associated with each device are different, at least in one group, from the groups associated with every other device. A plurality of group assignments 20 is preferably produced by the grouping apparatus 10.

Please ~~replace~~ the paragraph bridging page 13 and 14 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

a<sup>3</sup> The system of Fig. 1 also preferably comprises prevention determination apparatus 30, preferably receiving the group assignments 20 from the grouping apparatus 10 and preferably operative to determine whether at least one device of the plurality of authorized devices is to be prevented from having access to protected content. Some implementations of such a determination is

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well known in the art and may be based on information supplied by a human operator of the system of Fig. 1, ~~though~~ through automatic information gathering, or otherwise. A black box method, such as the method described below with reference to Fig. 5, may also be used.

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